

Finance Committee Meeting
11-15-2011
Minutes

Present:

Members: Mary Braney, Chair; Nancy Herholz, Mike Malone, Chris Bowen, Julie Parenteau, Chris Kandel, Paul McLaughlin, Vice Chair (7:17 p.m.) Robbin Joyce (7:23 p.m.), Ex Officio, Peter Adams and Town Administrator, Adam Gaudette

- Meeting called to order at 7:04 p.m.
- Motion made by Chris Bowen to approve October 18, 2011 Minutes as written
Second by: Chris Kandel
Approved: Unanimously
- Correspondence: Mary Braney distributed a copy of *The Beacon*.
- Liaison Reports:
 1. Capital Improvement Planning Committee: Nancy Herholz reported that committee did not meet.
 2. Finance Planning Committee: Adam Gaudette stated that as presentation was made by the Selectmen; continues to be a work-in-progress.
 3. School Building Committee: Chris Bowen reported that committee is still in negotiations, post OPM interviews.
 4. School Capital Planning Committee: John Stevens was not present.
 5. SEBRCS: Mary Braney not able to attend meeting.
- December Special Town Meeting Article: Adam Gaudette presented, discussed and answered committee questions and concerns with regard to Article 1; to see if the Town will vote to authorize the SelectBoard to purchase, take by eminent domain, or otherwise acquire, for purpose of conservation, agricultural preservation the Sibley-Warner Farm on East Main and Greenville Streets.
 - Motion made by Paul McLaughlin to approve Article 1 contingent upon approval of the awarding of the \$500,000 from the Land Grant and pending outcome of vote at December 8, 2011 Special Town Meeting.
 - Second by Chris Kandel
 - Unanimously approved.
- October storm report: Adam Gaudette presented impact of storm as reported by Utilities and Facilities superintendent, Steven Tyler; Police Chief David Darrin and synopsis as documented by Monday's November 14th Selectboard's meeting.
 - Discussion, questions and comments.
- Bay Path Legislative Breakfast: Adam Gaudette reported that he and Tom Parker were in attendance along with local politicians and other town committee members. Plans for a 60 million dollar building an addition to the school were discussed; 10 towns will need to approve renovation in order to start drawing plans by 2012 and ground breaking in 2013. Executive Director of the Mass. School Buildings Association (MSBA) Katherine Craver led a presentation of her

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organization's work on funding new school construction as proposed Bay Path renovation and addition.

- No further business
- Motion made at 8:04 p.m. by Chris Bowen to adjourn meeting.
Second by: Julie Parenteau
Approved: Unanimously
- Next meeting: December 20, 2011; 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Nancy E. Herholz